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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Geologists

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Friday, June 13, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: August 1, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

David Reinhold, President, Professional Member Douglas Rambo, Vice President, Professional Member Scott Blaier, Professional Member Patricia Ennis, Public Member Maureene LaFate, Public Member (arrived 10:11) Judith Nicholas, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Amanda McAtee, Administrative Specialist II Flora Peer, Administrative Specialist II Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General

MEMBERS ABSENT

William "Sandy" Schenck, Secretary, Professional Member

PUBLIC PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Reinhold called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the May 9, 2014 meeting. Ms. Ennis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rambo, to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Continued Discussion of Board's Newsletter

Mr. Reinhold stated that a rough draft of the newsletter had been completed and that Mr. Rambo would review. Mr. Rambo stated that most of the information was carried over from previous newsletter with some updates on renewal. Mr. Reinhold questioned when the newsletter should be completed. Ms. McAtee stated that the newsletter should be ready for approval at the August 1, 2014 meeting.

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Re-Review of Tabled Continuing Education Approval

Girish Bhatt - Load Testing and Quality Control of Pile Foundation Webinar, 2.5 CEUs

Mr. Blaier stated that he could not determine how the course related to the field of geology. Mr. Blaier tabled course approval so that Mr. Schenck could review the course at the August 1, 2014 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Practice Under Supervision - none

Review of Continuing Education Approval Applications

Nicholas Hastings

Practical Applications in Hydrogeology, 18 CEUs

Mr. Rambo summarized the application for the Board. Mr. Rambo stated that Nicholas Hastings requested eighteen continuing education credits for the *Practical Applications in Hydrogeology* course. After review and discussion, Mr. Rambo made a motion, seconded by Ms. LaFate, to approve the request for 18 CEUs. The motion carried unanimously.

Nicholas Hastings

Contaminated Fractured Rock Hydrogeology and Geophysics, 8 CEUs

Mr. Rambo summarized the application for the Board. Mr. Rambo stated that Nicholas Hastings requested eight continuing education credits for the *Contaminated Fractured Rock Hydrogeology and Geophysics* course. Mr. Rambo stated that he could only verify 7.25 credit hours. After review and discussion, Mr. Rambo made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blaier, to approve the request for 7.25 CEUs as opposed to the 8 CEUs requested. The motion carried unanimously.

Gary Gaillot

8hr OSHA HAZWOPER Refresher-Online, 8 CEUs

Mr. Rambo summarized the application for the Board. Mr. Rambo stated that Gary Gaillot requested eight continuing education credits for the 8hr OSHA HAZWOPER Refresher-Online course. Mr. Rambo stated that this course had already been approved at the Board's December 13, 2013 meeting and did not require further Board review and approval.

Beau Suthard

2014 National Conference on Beach Preservation Technology, 12 CEUs

Mr. Rambo stated that Beau Suthard requested twelve continuing education credits for the 2014 National Conference on Beach Preservation Technology. Mr. Rambo stated that he could not determine the course's geologic content from the information provided and tabled the request.

Beau Suthard

State of the Coast Conference, 12 CEUs

Mr. Rambo summarized the application for the Board. Mr. Rambo stated that Beau Suthard requested twelve continuing education credits for the *State of the Coast Conference*. Mr. Rambo stated that he could not determine the course's geologic content from the information provided and tabled the request.

Beau Suthard

2012 Florida Shore & Beach Preservation Assoc. Annual Conference, 12 CEUs

Mr. Rambo summarized the application for the Board. Mr. Rambo stated that Beau Suthard requested twelve continuing education credits for the 2012 Florida Shore & Beach Preservation Association Annual Conference. Mr. Rambo stated that he could not determine the course's geologic content from the information provided and tabled the request.

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Girish Bhatt

Subsurface Utility Engineering, 1 CEU

Mr. Blaier summarized the application for the Board. Mr. Blaier stated that Girish Bhatt requested one continuing education credit for the *Subsurface Utility Engineering* course. Mr. Blaier stated that he could not determine the course's geologic content from the information provided and tabled the request.

Girish Bhatt

Vibration Measurement and Analysis, 7.5 CEUs

Mr. Blaier summarized the application for the Board. Mr. Blaier stated that Girish Bhatt requested seven and a half continuing education credits for the *Vibration Measurement and Analysis* course. After review and discussion, Mr. Blaier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rambo, to approve the request for 7.5 CEUs under 6.8.1 Workshops. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Application for Reciprocity

Jamie Pratt - North Carolina

Mr. Rambo stated that Jamie Pratt was applying by reciprocity from the State of North Carolina and that Jamie Pratt met the requirements for licensure through reciprocity. After review and discussion, Mr. Rambo made a motion, seconded by Ms. LaFate, to approve the reciprocal application of Jamie Pratt. The motion carried unanimously.

Robert Croydon - Pennsylvania

Mr. Rambo stated that Robert Croydon was applying by reciprocity from the State of Pennsylvania and that he met the requirements for licensure through reciprocity. After review and discussion, Mr. Rambo made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nicholas, to approve the reciprocal application of Robert Croydon. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Dirk Grahl – Pennsylvania</u>

Mr. Rambo stated that Dirk Grahl was applying by reciprocity from the State of Pennsylvania and that he met the requirements for licensure through reciprocity. After review and discussion, Mr. Rambo made a motion, seconded by Ms. LaFate, to approve the reciprocal application of Dirk Grahl. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Applications for Examination

Gary Lasako (FG and PG Exams)

Mr. Rambo reviewed the application by examination for Gary Lasako. Mr. Rambo made a motion, seconded by Ms. LaFate, to approved Gary Lasako to sit for the FG and PG exams and approved his application for licensure contingent upon successful completion of the FG and PG exams. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Deliberation and Vote on Hearing Officer Recommendations

None

Correspondence

Olaf Westphalen - Seal Requirements

Ms. McAtee stated that Mr. Westphalen had emailed the Division and had asked about seal requirements. Ms. McAtee stated that she was able to answer all of his questions but noticed that Rule 3.1 stated:

3.1 The stamp or seal authorized by the Delaware State Board of Geologists shall be of the design shown here and shall not be less than one and one-half (1 ½) inches in diameter. It may be purchased by the licensee from any convenient source.

Ms. McAtee stated that there was no seal shown in the Rules and Regulations and the Delaware Board of Professional Land Surveyors had similar language in their Rules and Regulations and had an image included. Ms. McAtee stated that Mr. Westphalen had also questioned if the Board would allow an electronic seal in lieu of a traditional seal.

Ms. Kelly stated that the Board's statute stated that technical reports were to be "stamped" or "impressed".

§ 3619 Seal. Every geologist licensed in this State shall have a seal of a design authorized by the Board by regulation. All technical submissions prepared by such geologist, or under that geologist's direct supervision, shall be stamped with the impression of that geologist's seal. No licensed geologist shall impress that geologist's seal on any technical submission unless it has been prepared under that

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geologist's direct supervision.

Mr. Reinhold stated that the Board would table the discussion of seal requirements and reconvene on the topic at the August 1, 2014 meeting. Ms. McAtee stated that she would contact Mr. Westphalen and inform him that the Board did not allow electronic stamps. Mr. Reinhold questioned if the Board should research the use of electronic stamps. Ms. Kelly stated that it would be a good idea for the Board to look into other state seal requirements.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (for discussion only)

None

WALL CERTIFICATES

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this meeting.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for August 1, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Blaier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rambo, to adjourn the meeting at 10:53 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda McAtee – DE Board of Geologists

Administrative Specialist II